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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

COTTINGHAM *et al.*

Appl. No.: (To be assigned)

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For: **Fusion Proteins Incorporating  
Lysozyme**

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**Preliminary Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In advance of prosecution in the above identified matter, Applicants seek entry of the following amendments. This Preliminary Amendment is provided in the following format:

(A) A clean version of each replacement paragraph/section/claim along with clear instructions for entry;

(B) Starting on a separate page, appropriate remarks. *See* 37 C.F.R. § 1.121 and MPEP § 714; and

(C) Starting on a separate page, a marked-up version entitled: "Version with markings to show changes made."

Please amend the application as follows:

***In the Specification:***

Please amend the specification as follows: